By the King.

A Proclamation prohibiting the vntimely *bringing in of Wines, &c.*

HOraſmuch as his Maieſtie is informed, That there is a generall complaint, that the wines of France, which are brought into this Kingdome, are not, neither haue bene for many yeeres paſt, ſo laſting, nor ſo good and wholeſome for mens bodies, as they were in former times; whereof the chiefe cauſes are apparantly found to be, aſwell in ſome Merchants and others, who (out of greedineſſe of priuate gaine) haue vſed of late yeeres to fetch and bring in thoſe wines ſooner in the yeere, then in ancient times was vſed or allowed by the Statutes of this Realme: As alſo in the Frenchmen, who doe thereupon for the moſt part vſe to cut their Vines, before the Grapes are fully ripe, And likewiſe doe not ſuffer the wines to haue their due and true making, before the ſame be bought and ſent into this Realme; His Maieſtie therefore to preuent the like inconueniences hereafter, in a commoditie ſo much tending to the health of his Subiects, Doeth ſtraitly prohibit and forbid, All and euery perſon and perſons whatſoeuer, aſwell being his naturall borne Subiects, as Denizens, either directly or indirectly, from henceforth to vnſhip, diſcharge or lay on land, any new wines of the growth of France, at or in any Port, Hauen, Creeke, or other place within his Highneſſe Realme of England, and Principalitie of Wales, Or to buy or receiue any new wines of the growth of France, being brought in by any others, vntill the firſt day of December now next comming, And ſo vntill the firſt day of December yeerely vpon paine of his Maieſties high diſpleaſure, and ſuch penalties, as by the Lawes of this his Maieſties Realme of England, may be inflicted vpon perſons offending againſt his Maieſties Royall commandement. And for the better execution hereof, his Maieſtie doeth further charge and command All Cuſtomers, Comptrollers, and other Officers of his Ports, to whom it ſhall appertaine, And all Farmers of the Cuſtomes and Impoſts, now, and for the time being, their Clerkes and Subſtitutes, That they and euery of them, doe forbeare to take any Entries of ſuch new wines of the growth of France, that ſhalbe brought into this Realme, by any perſon or perſons whatſoeuer, vntill the ſaid firſt day of December now next comming, and ſo after vntil the firſt day of December yeerely from yeere to yeere, As they and euery of them will anſwere the contrary at their vttermoſt perill.

Giuen at Wanſted the eleuenth day of September, in the eleuenth yeere of Our Reigne of Great Britaine, France, and Ireland.

God ſaue the King.

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